

Where the Kootenay Central Railway is Now Building To!

THE OUTCROP.

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Two Political Meetings

Premier McBride and Hon. Green Talk Politics at Windermere and Wilmer to Good Audiences

Premier McBride and Hon. R. F. Green, Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works, arrived Wednesday night of last week, as announced. They came to Fairlands on the Parmigian and after having dinner with Mr. Foster the party drove on to Wilmer, reaching here about 11:30. Despite the late hour the hall was crowded with citizens to welcome them and hear all they had to say, among the number being a large attendance of ladies. Thursday morning the party drove on to Atholmer and Windermere, where another good assembly greeted them in the hall that evening, after which they took the steamer and returned to Golden.

The meetings were very similar in character and the speeches of the honorable gentlemen varied little in the two towns. In each place they had very attentive audiences and no interruptions, while they were applauded again and again. It would be quite impossible for The Outcrop to publish full reports of the speeches made at the two meetings in our limited space, and therefore we shall only attempt to give a summary of them.

At Wilmer Mr. J. M. McLeod occupied the position of chairman and introduced the speakers in a brief and appropriate address, while at Windermere Mr. J. H. Taynton occupied the same position. Premier McBride was the first speaker and in a very able manner expressed his appreciation of having an opportunity of meeting so many of the people in this valley and of the hearty reception they had given him and his colleague, which he admitted was a good deal better than they were given to expect from the many expressions of our member, Mr. Wells, who had given them to understand that Columbia riding was a solid Welton constituency. However, he had ventured into his domain and now arrived at the conclusion that it would not be asking a complete sacrifice of the man who may be requested to contest this riding when the time for another election came about as they had been led to feel. The Premier went on to say he now had every reason to believe that when that time arrived the Conservative banner would sweep through to certain victory.

The Premier then launched out into a glowing account of how the first Conservative Government had taken hold of the affairs of the province when the condition had ebbed to low tide, when the banks had refused the Government any credit and when the banks would not honor its checks for even a few dollars. From such a condition the Conservatives had rescued the province and put upon a sound business basis and even had a respectable surplus to show. This led to be done by the unpopular method of increasing taxes and cutting down expenses in every department. The criticism that followed this policy had been expected, and so had the better times. The result of this policy was now evident in every industry; the banks now honored all checks and drafts and their managers were eloquent in their praises of the Government's standing, confidence had been restored, capitalists were seeking and obtaining investments in the province, more miles of railway were now under construction than at any time since the main line of the C. P. R. was built, the lumber, agricultural, horticultural and mining industries were all in a better condition; in brief the province has taken on a new lease of life and out of chaos the Conservative Government had wrought order and prosper-

ity. The Premier regretted that the state of prosperity that was sweeping over the west coast provinces in this Dominion had not reached Columbia valley, but said it would surely come and that in a very few months, all that was lacking here was better transportation; and he wished now to explain his position as regards the Kootenay Central Railway.

Premier McBride said: "I know you want the railway. You want it badly. You deserve it, you need it, you have a right to it and your resources justify and demand it. And you shall have a railway, and I see no reason why you should not have two railways. It will not be so very long until you will have two railways. The policy of my Government is and in future will be not to give a foot of land or a dollar of the people's money to corporations or promoters for building railways. Our reason for this is that we do not believe it necessary or right and besides we have neither money or land to give away and we will not borrow to place more burden upon the people. We received petitions from you requesting aid for the K. C. R. The petitions received our most careful attention, yet we could not grant your requests, and I believe that many who signed these petitions did not expect we would grant them. We had reason to believe the K. C. R. would be built whether the Legislature aided it or not. You now see we were right. It is being built now. You say, 'Only 10 miles' he persisted. It will not be more than one and a half or two years before it will be completed."

The Premier also gave considerable attention to discussing the new school law, increased taxation, cutting down expense, the Kaiser Island controversy and several other matters. Concluding with an eloquent reference to the scenery and resources of the valley and a tribute to his audience.

The Hon. Mr. Green opened his address by saying that he saw before him so many familiar faces that he felt quite at home and was very pleased to have the opportunity of meeting his old friends and making the acquaintance of many new ones. With the Premier he had been promising to visit this valley for about three years, but at last he was able to fulfill his many promises and feared he was the greater loser by the postponement of not having had the opportunity of visiting one of the very richest sections of the province. Mr. Green said he was aware he was not a public speaker, but hoped his audience would bear with his disjointed remarks for a short time as he had a few facts he would tell them about.

The Chief Commissioner then launched out in an eulogistic manner of the many good and able qualities of his colleague and friend—the Premier. He maintained that Premier McBride's administration had been most careful to work at all times for the best interests of the whole province, although at times these interests may have appeared to clash with certain sections and individual interests, yet it often happens that these things need to be. To start with the Premier had found the affairs of the province in very bad condition and he was obliged to move slowly and carefully, yet step by step he was able to proceed, until now he had put every department and every branch on a firm and solid basis. There were many things yet to be done, but the new life and prosperity that had

come to all industries and resources of the province spoke more for the good work of the Premier than mere words could express, and the speaker was quite certain that when the elections were again given the opportunity Premier McBride's good work would be given the acknowledgment it merits by returning an overwhelming majority of Conservative members to the Legislature.

Mr. Green then in detail explained the difficulties the Legislature had to contend with financially and showed how necessary it was to follow a policy of retrenchment in his own as well as every other department. He dwelt long upon the increase in taxes and the small appropriations for new roads, trails and bridges, also on the changes in the school law, and declared the department of lands and works had been honestly run, and said that the Kaiser Island deal was the best ever made and will bring millions of dollars to the province.

In concluding Mr. Green addressed his audience to hold on to the property they had acquired here and assured them the railway would be completed within two years and then their reward would be certain. In glowing terms he pictured the growth of the fruit industry in West Kootenay and predicted even greater things for Columbia valley. He pointed to the steady advance in metals and assured his hearers that capitalist will not be long in seeking their great mineral wealth.

DISTRICT CROPPINGS

And Other Items of Interest in a General Way

B. H. Washburn came down from the Nettie M. mine Monday, returning again yesterday. He reported that the miners were working in a fine looking body of ore and that there is now plenty of ore stacked to keep the packers busy.

P. Michelson went up to the Black Diamond mine on Toby creek last week to prepare for taking out a few carloads of ore and to do more development work. This will be the first ore shipped from the property, other than samples, and the returns will be awaited with much interest. The owners of the Black Diamond have done a great amount of development on the group and have uncovered a fine body of ore. They are deserving of great credit for their enterprise and everyone hopes and believes they are about to be rewarded.

The Outcrop reporter had the pleasure of a ramble through R. A. Klump's orchard at Windermere the other day and the only regret is his inability to thoroughly and properly describe the biggest orchard in this valley. Mr. Klump very kindly accompanied the reporter and furnished a list of useful information, which will be given in another issue. Since our last visit to this orchard a wonderful change has been wrought, both in the growth and number of trees and the clearing of the ground, for which Mr. Klump cannot be given too much credit. He stated that the amount of ground now cleared in the picturesque ravine in which his fruit trees are planted amounts to 100 acres and the amount of hard work necessary to clear this land and put it into the present perfect state of cultivation can hardly be reduced to dollars and cents. We will not here attempt a description of the orchard as we have been promised one shortly by a man who is an authority in such matters. Suffice it to say that the trees are very healthy looking, many already forming fruit, and practically none have died.

Silver 66c., copper 18½¢., lead \$5.75. A dance is announced for Friday evening, June 16th, in the Windermere Hall. All are invited.

The ore hauled from the Swanes mine to Windermere has been taken to Golden by the steamer Parmigian for shipment to the Trail smelter.

It is stated that one of the Kootenay Central construction camps have been moved to a point 11 miles south of Golden. This don't look as though only 10 miles of the road are to be built.

The tie cut by W. T. Harrison and Jas. Morland last winter, while clearing their ranches, are being put into Toby creek this week for delivery to the C. R. L. Co. at Golden. It said the tie number about 30,000.

R. R. Bruce, manager of the Paradise mine, left on Monday's steamer for Toronto and other eastern points to transact business that may be of vast importance to this district. He will be absent about a month.

How is this for rifle shooting. Dr. R. Elliot 101, A. R. Yates 93 and F. L. Snook 86, out of a possible of 100 points? These scores were made on the Wilmer range Saturday. The full score will be printed next issue as the Doctor has been too busy to supply them.

Between 15,000 and 20,000 railway ties were turned loose in Columbia river at Atholmer Sunday morning by the Columbia River Lumber Company's men, and completely filled the channel for several hours. A small crew of river-drivers followed the ties to Golden.

Nelson is to have two daily newspapers now more, despite the fact that the publisher of the one now in existence has made it very plain that it has been financially a losing proposition. However, it is stated that the new daily will have strong backing from the Conservative party and that Dave Carley of the Economist is to be manager and Ree Beer editor. These gentlemen deserve much credit in displaying so much enterprise.

There is no doubt about the favorable impression that our visiting politicians of last week left behind them, and it is up to the Opposition to trot around pretty soon.

An Indian was brought to the Wilmer jail last Wednesday night of last week by the Indian police charged with being drunk and raising a no end of trouble on the reserve. P. J. Sovill, S.M., allowed him his freedom after he had contributed \$16.75 to the funds of the government. As usual the Indian did not know the man who supplied the firewater. Some of these days a drunken Indian may kill some person and then it will go hard with the men who are continually supplying the Indians with liquor. Take a timely warning.

The Laborer's Co. will push work vigorously during the summer on the Good Luck group, about eight miles east of Golden, and it is expected that before snow dies this property will become a constant shipper. It is also intended to build a wagon road to the property. The Shining Beauty, which has been worked continuously since last September, is to be considerably enlarged in the way of men and material, and this property will also be worked without interruption. The managing director of the company writes saying that the mill test made of the property at Chicago recently is highly satisfactory and that F. N. Anderson, M.E., the company's engineer, is at present busy shipping the machinery for the latter property, which will arrive about the middle of the month, when Mr. Anderson will also arrive to take charge of operations.—Star.

ANOTHER GOOD REASON

"The definite announcement that steps are to be taken at once to constitute Vancouver the port of shipment for much of the wheat produced in the new western provinces makes for the realization of hopes which have been entertained here for some years now. That the harvests of Alberta must eventually find their route to the foreign market by way of the Pacific has been the fixed conviction of all who have studied the conditions in the West. The railway transportation is shorter, and yearly the question of cheap haulage through the mountains to the coast is becoming less difficult of solution. The opening up, of the great markets in the Orient is inviting the enterprise of our national corporations, and is offering us a market which must become larger and more valuable as time goes by. It is in the preparation for taking advantage of opportunities which already exist and which are so rapidly expanding that as people we will display the wisdom which will result in a great future trade. When we consider that from the eastern boundaries of Alberta to the Pacific coast the distance is considerably shorter than it is from the same point to Fort William, that by the western route but one transshipment is required, and that after leaving Vancouver the course is entirely by water, we must perceive that we will finally possess an advantage over the old direction eastward."

The foregoing is extracted from the Vancouver Province, and is submitted as another strong reason for the early completion of the Kootenay Central Railway. It is well known that on the main line the C. P. R. now has all the freight it can handle over the Big Hill, and it is also quite as well known that it will not pay to carry wheat by the Crows Nest road to Kootenay Landing and the many transshipments before it reaches the main line. Therefore, it is only reasonable to expect that the only other all rail route will be utilized for this purpose, especially when a good grade can be got and a saving effected in the cost of running expenses over the K.C.R. as against the route over the Big Hill.

Clorinda Bennett is suffering from a light attack of measles.

R. Patton has built a bunch of Kentucky blue grass at this office measuring a little over two feet in length. He planted the seed in his garden on the 1st of May and cut it on June 2nd. He states it will grow four feet high before it is ripe. It has a fine healthy and juicy appearance, and those interested should not fail to call and see it.

Quite a number of the Opposition newspapers are "guessing" that a provincial election will be brought on this fall. Had they heard the speeches of the Premier and Chief Commissioner here last week, they would, no doubt, have waited for a fact. However, as these gentlemen were here for the first time and it is not likely they will return for some time there was some campaign talk coming to the people of this riding.

Kind words by the Cranbrook Herald: "The Wilmer Outcrop is seven years old. Editor Evans is still holding the fort with increased zeal and faith. The Outcrop has done much to spread the gospel of truth about the Windermere valley, and today hundreds know of the opportunities presented there who would have remained in ignorance had it not been for the instructive series presented by The Outcrop. Financially, The Outcrop has not been a gold mine. Continuing its publication has been done at a personal sacrifice by the editor, but there is a silver lining to every cloud, and some time even a pair of doves will be sent, and Brother Evans will reap the reward for his faith and perseverance. It would be a big reward when it does come."

Dr. Elliot was hurriedly summoned to Miss Young at Fairmont and Mrs. H. Grainger on Findlay creek Tuesday and has not yet returned.

NOTICE.

All accounts due me may be settled with time. M. Wilmer and on before July 1st next, after which date they will be placed for collection.

GEO. A. STARKE.

Wilmer, B.C., May 28th, 1906.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for permission to purchase 100 acres of pasture land in the District of East Kootenay described as follows: Commencing at a post planted about one-half mile above the village of Fairmont, thence north 10° east to the Government trail, marked "G. A. Starke's Timber Limit North East Corner Post", thence west 80° chain, thence south 80° chain, thence west 80° chain, thence north 80° chain, thence east 80° chain, thence north 80° chain, thence south 80° chain to the point of commencement.

Dated at Wilmer, B.C., June 2nd, 1906.
G. A. STARKE.
Per HUGH MACDONALD, Agent.

NOTICE.

Notice is hereby given that 30 days after date I intend to apply to the Chief Commissioner of Lands and Works for a special license to cut and carry away timber from the following described lands in the North East Kootenay District:

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W. P. EVANS,

Publisher and Proprietor.

WILMER, B.C., THURSDAY, JUNE 7, 1906.

The visit of Premier McBride and Chief Commissioner Green to this valley should result in much good and the hearty reception accorded them should be and, we believe, was appreciated by them. Their visit was of short duration and they saw little of the country, yet they admitted that they were most favorably impressed and that they had had little idea that such a magnificent stretch of country existed in this part. Basing their arguments on the results of what they had seen in other portions of the province they were more optimistic in their expressions than even the most enthusiastic of our old-timers, especially as to the future of our agricultural and horticultural resources. On the one thing of greatest importance to the valley they certainly made themselves very clear, and that was that they would not grant any aid to the Kootenay Central Railway. This point is now settled so far as their administration is concerned and it is at least a good thing to know that it is definitely settled, and all will know what to expect. The K. C. R. people have now no longer any reason to hold back with the expectation of assistance from the Legislature, and it may be expected they will soon announce their intentions.

With this issue The Outcrop starts out on its seventh year of publication, and in looking back over the past six years we cannot boast of any great or wonderful achievements, unless it be that we have come to the front regularly every week and never once in any way been molested or even threatened by the sheriff. Further, we have been told that The Outcrop has the distinction of holding out longer than any other paper ever published in Canada surrounded by so sparse a population. The reasons for this distinction are many, but the chief reason is that The Outcrop is situated in the heart of one of the richest, if not the very richest, sections of this broad Dominion. Then, too, our lot is cast among a class of the most enterprising business men and industrious people that might well be congregated together anywhere on this earth. We have never claimed any ability in the journalistic field, yet under the conditions obtaining we feel that our sincere efforts to produce the news of the country and champion every cause that appeared in its best interest, have been acknowledged and appreciated; this is arrived at by our ever increasing subscription list and the number of advertisements appearing in these columns. Nevertheless, it has not been all smooth sailing for The Outcrop and there have been times when the end seemed near, and, moreover, our future depends upon the same issues as that of all other businesses, i. e., the continuation of the K. C. R. and the opening up of the mines—yet, we are happy to note, that these important issues appear to be nearer realization than ever before.

Just here it may be well to quiet a rumor that has been circulated at various times to the effect that The Outcrop was going to "pull-out". This is not the intention. We have pinned our faith on the country and intend to stay with it, for up-to-date we have heard of no other country with greater resources, better climate, grander scenery or more generous and better people, and when this valley is given transportation we expect to reach our million dollar mark with the rest of the stayers. The report has gained circulation from the fact that the proprietor has been offered several good opportunities to locate elsewhere and also good wages to take charge of other plants. These have all been refused so far, although all of them hold out more immediate gain than there is reason to expect here for sometime to come. We make these statements only for the reason that we think it well our subscribers should know The Outcrop is here to stay. Furthermore, we will say that should our expectations not be realized and the "waiting-time" be prolonged and the worst come; we are in such a position that we can turn the key in the Palace door, go hunt a job and come back to the plant when conditions warrant. We do not figure on having to do anything of the kind, but we want it known that The Outcrop is here to stay—it is a fixture, and will be improved as the income increases and the country grows.

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Croppings

E. T. Johnston has been quite ill at
 Sunshine ranch, but is recovering.

John Barneau had a serious attack of
 pneumonia last week and is still under
 the doctor's care.

The Golden Star says to The Outcrop:
 "You know you still owe us a drink!"
 Let it be the latest—dynamite.

A. R. Yates, Wilmer's leading drug-
 gist, went to Golden Monday to visit at
 his home a short while, and may visit
 eastern points before returning.

Chas. H. Parson made the round trip
 from Golden on the last Ptarmigan and
 his numerous friends were pleased to
 greet him.

The Outcrop would like to have given
 a full report of the political speeches,
 but our "long-hand" reporter was out
 of practice and our space is limited.

The Golden Times has reached this
 Palace for the fourth time and evidently
 means to keep coming. It is a wel-
 come little weekly visitor. At first we
 believed it to be a joke, but evidently we
 were mistaken. It is, perhaps, the
 smallest newspaper issued in Canada and
 its editor, Master Thomas Conner,
 has the distinction of being the youngest
 editor in Canada. Success to the Times
 and its editor.

A good story is now out of a child's
 wit that happened a couple of weeks ago.
 While up at Bloufy Messrs. R. M.
 Palmer, R. B. Bruce and T. Starbird
 were relating instances of remarkable
 fruit growing that had come under their
 observations. They had each told pretty
 good stories, when Master Louis Starbird,
 who is just three years of age, thought
 it had come to his turn to tell one, and
 with a very serious face he said: "Well,
 we had a tree that grew so many apples
 that it took us all year to pick 'em."

Mr. and Mrs. J. Spencer of Findlay
 creek and Mrs. B. Brewer of Fairmont
 arrived in town Sunday evening and
 visited at The Outcrop Palace until Mon-
 day afternoon. Mr. Spencer is far from
 well and Dr. Elliot has ordered him to
 take a long rest from his labors. He has
 built a large new barn and cleared up a
 number of acres of land on his big ranch
 up Findlay creek since last fall. He
 reports that his big herd of cattle came
 through the winter in splendid shape
 and his crops promise a great yield this
 season. Mrs. Spencer and little Miss
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 once more. As usual Mrs. Brewer was
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 the Government Building, Wilmer, B. C., at
 two o'clock in the afternoon of Friday, the
 15th day of June, 1906, the following applica-
 tions will be considered, viz:
 James A. Woodard, Retail Liquor License,
 Hotel Windermere, Windermere.
 George A. Smith, Retail Liquor License,
 Hotel Delphina, Wilmer.
 Wm. Chamberlain, Retail Liquor License,
 Eldon Hotel, Wilmer.
 Charles Cartwright, Retail Liquor License,
 Athlmer Hotel, Athlmer.

COLIN CRANBROOK,
 Chief License Inspector,
 Windermere, B. C., May 15th, 1906.

LAND NOTICE
 Notice is hereby given that on days after date
 intended to apply to the Hon. Chief Commis-
 sioner of Lands and Mines for the purpose of
 purchasing 40 acres of land situated in the North
 West Kootenay District, more particularly a portion
 on the north line of my ranch at Vermilion
 creek, thence 20 chains west, thence 20 chains
 north, thence 20 chains east, and thence 20
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